

*AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT*

Replace the Abstract with:

A window shade assembly for motor vehicles which has a pivotable cover provided on the slot through which the window shade is extendable and retractable. The cover is prestressed into an open position by an opening spring for enabling extraction of the window shade. The cover is closed by excess travel of a window shade actuating element that serves for moving a tension rod of the window shade to the extracted position.